

March 2019



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NEWSLETTER OF THE DOVER/KENT COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

## Where We've Been....

### The MPO Council:

Mayor Robin R. Christiansen  
**Chairman**  
City of Dover

Michael J. Petit de Mange  
**Vice Chairman**  
(for President Brooks Banta)  
Kent County Levy Court

Mayor Anthony Moyer,  
City of Harrington  
(for Kent County municipalities)

John Sisson, for the  
Delaware Transit Corporation

Drew Boyce, for Sec. Jennifer Cohan  
Delaware Department of  
Transportation

Terry Pepper (for Governor John  
Carney)

### MPO Staff:

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Principal Planner: Jim Galvin

GIS Planner: Mike Ward

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### 2020 UPWP Draft is now published

The Dover/Kent MPO announces the draft for the 2020 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is now published and will go up for vote by the Council for adoption Wednesday March 6. The 2020 UPWP outlines the projects and programs the MPO plans to address in the next fiscal year. The UPWP draft is available on the MPO website ([www.doverkentmpo.org](http://www.doverkentmpo.org)).

Any questions regarding the UPWP may be submitted on the website under suggestion box, by email [helen.wiles@doverkentmpo.org](mailto:helen.wiles@doverkentmpo.org) or by phone (302) 387-6030.



### Current and Past Studies Now Available on Website

We are in the process of organizing all of our past studies and uploading them to our website. We also have current studies that are either finished or will be very soon and they will be available too. There's a new page under 'resources' on [www.doverkentmpo.org](http://www.doverkentmpo.org) called STUDIES.

### Air Quality Conformity Draft Complete

The Air Quality Conformity Analysis draft on the regionally significant projects in Kent County has been completed. The AQC Analysis is required whenever a new road project is determined to have a significant impact on traffic conditions in the MPO region. The draft report will be available on the MPO website on April 1, 2019. "Thank you" to Reed Macmillan, Whitman Requardt Associations and to the AQ Conformity Working Group for all the work they have done to ensure that the MPO will be in compliance with federal regulations.

*Happy St. Patrick's Day*

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## Where We're Headed....

### **MAPITT is Coming!**

MAPITT stands for Mobility Asset or Public Issue Transportation Tracker. It will be a crowdsourcing map that will allow citizens to report any transportation issue from their smartphone, tablet or computer by pinning it on a map and filling out a brief questionnaire. They will also be able to post a picture. MAPITT should be online within the next couple of weeks.

### **Public Participation Plan**

"In accordance with 23 CFR 450.316, a [metropolitan planning organization](#) (MPO) is required to engage in a metropolitan planning process that creates opportunities for public involvement, participation, and consultation throughout the development of the [Metropolitan Transportation Plan](#) (MTP) and the [Transportation Improvement Program](#) (TIP). Under this requirement, MPOs must allow for: adequate public notice of public participation activities; review and comment at key decision points in the development of the MTP and TIP; and multiple, accessible participation formats, including electronic and in-person. The MPO should develop a collaborative and comprehensive Public Participation Plan, in full collaboration with the public and stakeholder communities, to be used in the development of the MTP and TIP, as well as to frame the strategies for public and stakeholder communication and collaboration in all phases of the planning process. The Participation Plan itself must be prepared by the MPO with a 45-day public review and comment period." Our 2019 Public Participation Plan Update will be coming soon.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

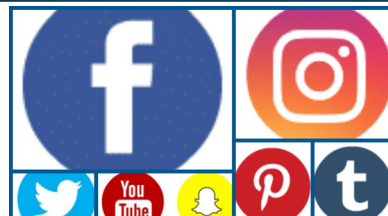
#### **MPO COUNCIL**

**March 6, 2019**

**3PM—5PM**

**Camden Town Hall**

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MAPITT teaser ads are on all social media



### When on the Road, Stay off the Phone

It is estimated **80%** of all accidents involve some form of distracted driving.



**1,700+**

vehicle incidents in 2016 caused power outages across G&E's service area



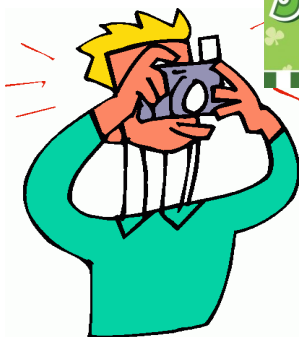
**693,000**

homes and businesses impacted by distracted driving



**\$10,000**

average replacement cost for a utility pole damaged in vehicle caused incidents



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Social Media and tag  
**#DoverKentMPO**

Helen Wiles will be attending  
this symposium for Dover/Kent  
MPO



**Registration NOW open!**

Early MPO Registration: \$375